lasl several years. Governraeni is examining various proposals to deal will, (he problem of IISCO incurring heavy losses.

Handling $_0$f drills ^{b}V coal division of Geological Survey of India

2463. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will Ihe Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to stale:

(a) the number of Drills attached arid handled by Coal Division of Geological Survey of India and their State-wise deve-
, lopment;

(b) how many Directors (Geology) connected with geological investigation for coal resources are attached ;o Coal Division and where they are stationed:

(c) what is the number of geological investigations being carried out by Coal Division at present; and

(d) whelher it is a fact that all Directors are operating from one stall one if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL. MINI'S AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a| There aie 51 drills attached to Ihe Coal Division of Geological Survey of " India. Their Siate-wise deployment is as follows:—

Andhra Pradesh ...	7
Arunachal Pradesh ...	1
Assam	I
Bihar	II
Madhya Pradesh . . .	l2
Maharashtra	1
Meghalaya	1
Orissa	5
Tamil Nu du	2
Wcsl Bengal . . .	">

In addition 2 drills from Western Region are deployed in Rajasthan Lignite Investigation.

(b) Theie are 9 Directors (Geology) connected with geological activities in Coal Wing of Geological Survey of India. I he Headquarters of these Directors is .a Calcutta.

ui Hie Coal Wing of GSI is carrying out 53 geological investigations -during the current Field Season.

Idl Ihe Headquarter of Ihe Directors of c oal Wing is at Calcutta. This is for the purpose of achieving close coordination with the Deputy Direeto,- General (Coal) who is stationed at Calcutta. (le.-.ihle programme of exploration strategy ai d clos.; iiiteraction between all Coal Directorates and the main user agency viz.. Coal lndia Limiied.

Regularisation of contingent workers in the coal division *a)!* GSI

2464. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Wilj ihe Minisler of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of contingent workers appointed prior to 31st December, 1969 who are yet to be absorbed in regular posts in Coal Division of Geological Survey of lndia and the reasons lov not regularising their services even after a period of 16 years; and

(b) the number of contingent workers regularised between lst .lanuary. 1971) arid 31st December, 1984 and their dates of appointment in contingent establishment?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL. MINES AND COAL (SHRT VASANT SATHE): (a) There are at present 18 contingent workers in the Coal Division of the Geological Survey of India who were engaged prior to 31.12.1969 who are yet to he absorbed in regular posts. The reasons fcr Iheir non-regularisation is that som- of Ihem did not accept the posts effered to them to be regularised in. while others were found unsuitable for regularisation it: spite of several chances given through interviews.

(b) A total of 172 contingent workers were regularised between lst January. 1970 and 3 J si December. 1984. These

worker? were engaged on contingent f-?.sis in the following years:—

Years	No. of workers engaged
1958	1
1963	2
1966	3
1967	4
1968	6
1969	23
1970	14
1971	14
1972	24
1973	22
1974	17
1975	5
1976	18
1977	17
1978	1
1981	1
TOTAL	172

Contingent workers in GSI

2465. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of STEEL. MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of contingent workers employed by the Geological Survey of lndia on regular basis after 31st October, 1977;

(b) whether the Department of Per sonnel and Administrative Refoims ins tructed all Ministries of Government of India to consider contingent workers emp loyed upto 21st March, 1979 for appoint ment in regular establishments; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not implementing the orders by the Geologi cai Survey of India?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES: AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Geological Survey of India engaged 129 contingent workers in Group C & D posts on a regular basis after 31.10.1977.

(b) and (c) The erstwhile Department ot Personnel and Administrativs Reforms issued instructions on 21st March, 1979 with regard to the regularisation of casual workers in Group D posts, subject to I certain conditions. Some contingent employees of Geological Survey of Indi.) have not fulfilled these conditions. The question of granting relaxations of these conditions as necessary is currently under discussion with the concerned Departments.

Shortage of eliemisi$_s$ i$_n$ th$_c$ Geological Survey of India

2466. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will th$_e$ Minister of STEEL. MINES AND COAL be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that the Geological Survey of India has been getting che-
I mical samples analysed through private agencies on payment on the ground that
I there are no sufficient number of cfr.mists in the organisation;

(h) if so, what are the details thereof:

whether it is also a fact that sjnr: chemists are exclusively deployed for * iobs of administrative nature in the office; and

if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, in case of some special investigations or for analysis involving special techniques assistance J of Government agencies and research centres is utilised.

(c) and (d) Technical officers of the Geological Survey of India, especially Group 'A' Officers are also groomed foe j taking up management responsibilities.